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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

The following reply is responsive to the Final Rejection mailed April 12, 2007. The pending claims are claims 1, 4-9 and 21-23. Reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application, pursuant to and consistent with 37 CFR §1.112, is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to our deposit account No. 12-1155, including all required fees under: 37 C.F.R. §1.16; 37 C.F.R. §1.17; 37 C.F.R. §1.18; 37 C.F.R. §1.136.

Also, a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals and Patent Interferences is enclosed herewith. No additional fee is required for the Notice of Appeal since a Notice of Appeal with fee authorization dated 9 May 2006 was previously provided (MPEP §1207.4).

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

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